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Motivations

- Bug-free by design
- Saving time

Problems

- Uncontrollable environment
- Unbounded number of processes

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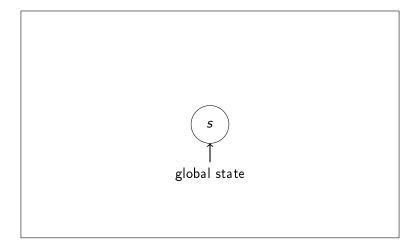
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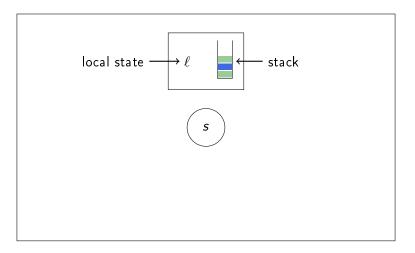
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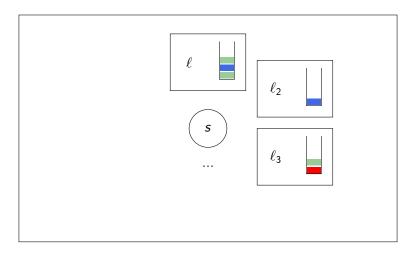
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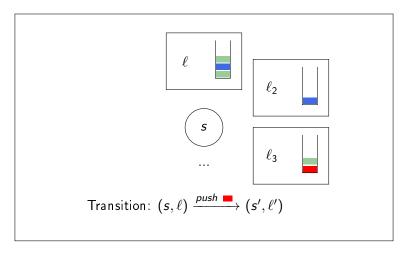
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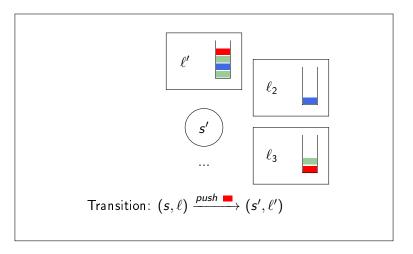
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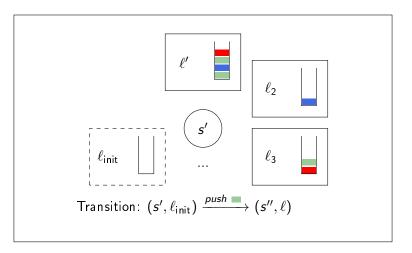


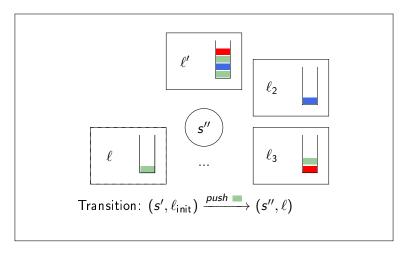












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Example

$$\varphi = \forall x.(req(x) \Rightarrow \exists y.(y \sim x \land y > x \land ack(y)))$$

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